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National Weights and Measures Week is being observed during the week of March 1-7 by State and local jurisdictions throughout the United States. This is the recognition of the first Weights and Measure law, passed by the United States Congress on March 2, 1799.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures has chosen the theme for the County's observance: **"Taking Measure of our Worth."** This issue has important significance in recognizing that the investment in weights and measures regulatory oversight averages less than 80 cents per resident per year, yet delivers many times that value in protections to our County citizens.

The Los Angeles County Department of Weights and Measures was established in 1915, and its primary mission was to ensure a balanced playing field existed among competing businesses. Since that time, the Department has worked to maintain that balance and provide significant protections to consumers. The dedication of Weights and Measures officials throughout the country and the value of their services to both consumers and business operators are worthy of recognition.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim March 1-7, 2012, as "Weights and Measures Week" throughout the County of Los Angeles.

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